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Mr. Daschle (for himself, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Dorgan, Mr. Reid, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Rockefeller, Mrs. Clinton, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Dodd, and Mr. Conrad) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; ETC.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Working Family Tax Relief Act of 2001".
- 6 (b) Amendment of 1986 Code.—Except as other-
- 7 wise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amend-
- 8 ment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment
- 9 to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference

- 1 shall be considered to be made to a section or other provi-
- 2 sion of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 3 (c) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for
- 4 this Act is as follows:
  - Sec. 1. Short title; etc.

#### TITLE I—MARRIAGE PENALTY TAX RELIEF

Sec. 101. Optional separate calculations.

#### TITLE II—ESTATE TAX RELIEF

- Sec. 201. Increase in amount of unified credit against estate and gift taxes.
- Sec. 202. Increase in qualified family-owned business interest deduction amount.

#### TITLE III—TAX RELIEF FOR AFFORDABLE HIGHER EDUCATION

Sec. 301. Deduction for higher education expenses.

#### TITLE IV—TAX RELIEF FOR FAMILY CHOICES IN CHILD CARE

### Subtitle A—Dependent Care Tax Credit

- Sec. 401. Expanding the dependent care tax credit.
- Sec. 402. Minimum credit allowed for stay-at-home parents.
- Sec. 403. Credit made refundable.

#### Subtitle B—Incentives for Employer-Provided Child Care

Sec. 411. Allowance of credit for employer expenses for child care assistance.

### TITLE V—TAX RELIEF FOR LONG-TERM CARE GIVERS

Sec. 501. Long-term care tax credit.

### TITLE VI—TAX RELIEF FOR WORKING FAMILIES

- Sec. 601. Increased earned income tax credit for 2 or more qualifying children.
- Sec. 602. Simplification of definition of earned income.
- Sec. 603. Simplification of definition of child dependent.
- Sec. 604. Other modifications to earned income tax credit.

### TITLE VII—TAX RELIEF FOR SELF-EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS

Sec. 701. Deduction for health insurance costs of self-employed individuals increased.

## TITLE VIII—TAX RELIEF FOR EXPANDING PENSION AVAILABILITY

- Sec. 801. Nonrefundable credit to certain individuals for elective deferrals and IRA contributions.
- Sec. 802. Credit for qualified pension plan contributions of small employers.
- Sec. 803. Credit for pension plan startup costs of small employers.

## TITLE IX—TAX RELIEF FOR ADOPTIVE PARENTS

Sec. 901. Expansion of adoption credit.

## 1 TITLE I—MARRIAGE PENALTY

TAX RELIEF
SEC. 101. OPTIONAL SEPARATE CALCULATIONS.
(a) In General.—Subpart B of part II of sub-
chapter A of chapter 61 (relating to income tax returns)
is amended by inserting after section 6013 the following
new section:
"SEC. 6013A. COMBINED RETURN WITH SEPARATE RATES.
"(a) General Rule.—A husband and wife may
make a combined return of income taxes under subtitle
A under which—
"(1) a separate taxable income is determined
for each spouse by applying the rules provided in
this section, and
"(2) the tax imposed by section 1 is the aggre-
gate amount resulting from applying the separate
rates set forth in section 1(c) to each such taxable
income.
"(b) Treatment of Income.—For purposes of this
section—
"(1) earned income (within the meaning of sec-
tion 911(d)), and any income received as a pension

or annuity which arises from an employer-employee

1	relationship, shall be treated as the income of the
2	spouse who rendered the services,
3	"(2) income from property shall be divided be-
4	tween the spouses in accordance with their respec-
5	tive ownership rights in such property (equally in
6	the case of property held jointly by the spouses), and
7	"(3) any exclusion from income shall be allow-
8	able to the spouse with respect to whom the income
9	would be otherwise includible.
10	"(c) Treatment of Deductions.—For purposes of
11	this section—
12	"(1) except as otherwise provided in this sub-
13	section, the deductions described in section 62(a)
14	shall be allowed to the spouse treated as having the
15	income to which such deductions relate,
16	"(2) the deductions allowable by section 151(b)
17	(relating to personal exemptions for taxpayer and
18	spouse) shall be determined by allocating 1 personal
19	exemption to each spouse,
20	"(3) section 63 shall be applied as if such
21	spouses were not married, except that the election
22	whether or not to itemize deductions shall be made

jointly by both spouses and apply to each, and

1	"(4) each spouse's share of all other deductions
2	shall be determined by multiplying the aggregate
3	amount thereof by the fraction—
4	"(A) the numerator of which is such
5	spouse's gross income, and
6	"(B) the denominator of which is the com-
7	bined gross incomes of the 2 spouses.
8	Any fraction determined under paragraph (4) shall be
9	rounded to the nearest percentage point.
10	"(d) Treatment of Credits.—For purposes of this
11	section—
12	"(1) In general.—Except as provided in para-
13	graph (2), each spouse's share of credits allowed to
14	both spouses shall be determined by multiplying the
15	aggregate amount of the credits by the fraction de-
16	termined under subsection $(c)(4)$ .
17	"(2) Earned income credit.—The earned in-
18	come credit under section 32 shall be determined as
19	if each spouse were a separate taxpayer, except
20	that—
21	"(A) the earned income and the modified
22	adjusted gross income of each spouse shall be
23	determined under the rules of subsections (b),
24	(c), and (e), and

1	"(B) qualifying children shall be allocated
2	between spouses proportionate to the earned in-
3	come of each spouse (rounded to the nearest
4	whole number).
5	"(e) Special Rules Regarding Income Limita-
6	TIONS.—
7	"(1) Exclusions and deductions.—For pur-
8	poses of making a determination under subsection
9	(b) or (c), any eligibility limitation with respect to
10	each spouse shall be determined by taking into ac-
11	count the limitation applicable to a single individual.
12	"(2) Credits.—For purposes of making a de-
13	termination under subsection $(d)(1)$ , in no event
14	shall an eligibility limitation for any credit allowable
15	to both spouses be less than twice such limitation
16	applicable to a single individual.
17	"(f) Special Rules for Alternative Minimum
18	Tax.—If a husband and wife elect the application of this
19	section—
20	"(1) the tax imposed by section 55 shall be
21	computed separately for each spouse, and
22	"(2) for purposes of applying section 55—
23	"(A) the rules under this section for allo-
24	cating items of income, deduction, and credit
25	shall apply, and

1	"(B) the exemption amount for each
2	spouse shall be the amount determined under
3	section $55(d)(1)(B)$ .
4	"(g) Treatment as Joint Return.—Except as
5	otherwise provided in this section or in the regulations
6	prescribed hereunder, for purposes of this title (other than
7	sections 1 and 63(c)) a combined return under this section
8	shall be treated as a joint return.
9	"(h) Limitations.—
10	"(1) Phase-in of Benefit.—
11	"(A) In General.—In the case of any
12	taxable year beginning before January 1, 2005,
13	the tax imposed by section 1 or 55 shall in no
14	event be less than the sum of—
15	"(i) the tax determined after the ap-
16	plication of this section, plus
17	"(ii) the applicable percentage of the
18	excess of—
19	"(I) the tax determined without
20	the application of this section, over
21	"(II) the amount determined
22	under clause (i).
23	"(B) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—For
24	purposes of subparagraph (A), the applicable

1	percentage shall be determined in accordance
2	with the following table:

The applicable "For taxable years beginning in: percentage is: 2003 ..... 10. 2004 ..... 3 "(2) Limitation of benefit based on com-BINED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME.—With respect to 4 5 spouses electing the treatment of this section for any 6 taxable year, the tax under section 1 or 55 shall be 7 increased by an amount which bears the same ratio 8 to the excess of the tax determined without the ap-9 plication of this section over the tax determined 10 after the application of this section as the ratio (but 11 not over 100 percent) of the excess of the combined 12 adjusted gross income of the spouses over \$100,000 13 bears to \$50,000. "(i) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe 14 15 such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to 16 carry out this section.". 17 Unmarried Rate Made Applicable.—So much of subsection (c) of section 1 as precedes the table 19 is amended to read as follows: 20 "(c) Separate or Unmarried Return Rate.— 21 There is hereby imposed on the taxable income of every

individual (other than a married individual (as defined in

section 7703) filing a return which is not a combined re-

1	turn under section 6013A, a surviving spouse as defined
2	in section 2(a), or a head of household as defined in sec-
3	tion 2(b)) a tax determined in accordance with the fol-
4	lowing table:".
5	(c) Penalty for Substantial Understatement
6	OF INCOME FROM PROPERTY.—Section 6662 (relating to
7	imposition of accuracy-related penalty) is amended—
8	(1) by adding at the end of subsection (b) the
9	following new paragraph:
10	"(6) Any substantial understatement of income
11	from property under section 6013A.", and
12	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
13	section:
14	"(i) Substantial Understatement of Income
15	FROM PROPERTY UNDER SECTION 6013A.—For pur-
16	poses of this section, there is a substantial understatement
17	of income from property under section 6013A if—
18	"(1) the spouses electing the treatment of such
19	section for any taxable year transfer property from
20	1 spouse to the other spouse in such year,
21	"(2) such transfer results in reduced tax liabil-
22	ity under such section, and
23	"(3) the significant purpose of such transfer is

the avoidance or evasion of Federal income tax.".

1	(d) Protection of	SOCIAL	SECURITY	AND	Medi-
2	CARE TRUST FUNDS.—				

(1) In General.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter or amend the Social Security Act (or any regulation promulgated under that Act).

## (2) Transfers.—

- (A) ESTIMATE OF SECRETARY.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall annually estimate the impact that the enactment of this section has on the income and balances of the trust funds established under sections 201 and 1817 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 and 1395i).
- (B) Transfer of funds.—If, under subparagraph (A), the Secretary of the Treasury estimates that the enactment of this section has a negative impact on the income and balances of such trust funds, the Secretary shall transfer, not less frequently than quarterly, from the general revenues of the Federal Government an amount sufficient so as to ensure that the income and balances of such trust funds are not reduced as a result of the enactment of this section.

- 1 (e) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
- 2 for subpart B of part II of subchapter A of chapter 61
- 3 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section
- 4 6013 the following new item:

"Sec. 6013A. Combined return with separate rates.".

- 5 (f) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 6 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
- 7 December 31, 2002.

## 8 TITLE II—ESTATE TAX RELIEF

- 9 SEC. 201. INCREASE IN AMOUNT OF UNIFIED CREDIT
- 10 AGAINST ESTATE AND GIFT TAXES.
- 11 (a) In General.—The table contained in section
- 12 2010(c) (relating to applicable credit amount) is amended
- 13 to read as follows:

"In the case of estates of decedents	The applicable
dying, and gifts made, during:	exclusion amount is:
2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006	\$1,000,000
2007 and 2008	\$1,125,000
2009	\$1,500,000
2010 or thereafter	\$2.000.000.".

- 14 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 15 this section shall apply to the estates of decedents dying,
- 16 and gifts made, after December 31, 2001.
- 17 SEC. 202. INCREASE IN QUALIFIED FAMILY-OWNED BUSI-
- 18 NESS INTEREST DEDUCTION AMOUNT.
- 19 (a) In General.—Paragraph (2) of section 2057(a)
- 20 (relating to family-owned business interests) is amended
- 21 to read as follows:

1	"(2) Maximum deduction.—
2	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The deduction allowed
3	by this section shall not exceed the sum of—
4	"(i) the applicable deduction amount,
5	plus
6	"(ii) in the case of a decedent de-
7	scribed in subparagraph (C), the applicable
8	unused spousal deduction amount.
9	"(B) Applicable deduction amount.—
10	For purposes of this subparagraph (A)(i), the
11	applicable deduction amount is determined in
12	accordance with the following table:
	"In the case of estates of decedents dying during:       The applicable deduction amount is:         2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006       \$1,375,000         2007 and 2008       \$1,625,000         2009       \$2,375,000         2010 or thereafter       \$3,375,000
13	"(C) Applicable unused spousal de-
14	DUCTION AMOUNT.—With respect to a decedent
15	whose immediately predeceased spouse died
16	after December 31, 2001, and the estate of
17	such immediately predeceased spouse met the
18	requirements of subsection $(b)(1)$ , the applica-
19	ble unused spousal deduction amount for such
20	decedent is equal to the excess of—
21	"(i) the applicable deduction amount
22	allowable under this section to the estate

1	of such immediately predeceased spouse,
2	over
3	"(ii) the sum of—
4	"(I) the applicable deduction
5	amount allowed under this section to
6	the estate of such immediately pre-
7	deceased spouse, plus
8	"(II) the amount of any increase
9	in such estate's unified credit under
10	paragraph (3)(B) which was allowed
11	to such estate.".
12	(b) Conforming Amendments.—Section
13	2057(a)(3)(B) is amended—
14	(1) by striking "\$675,000" both places it ap-
15	pears and inserting "the applicable deduction
16	amount", and
17	(2) by striking "\$675,000" in the heading and
18	inserting "APPLICABLE DEDUCTION AMOUNT".
19	(c) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
20	this section shall apply to the estates of decedents dying,
21	and gifts made, after December 31, 2001.

## 14 TITLE III—TAX RELIEF FOR AF-**HIGHER** EDU-**FORDABLE** 2 **CATION** 3 SEC. 301. DEDUCTION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSES. 5 (a) DEDUCTION ALLOWED.—Part VII of subchapter B of chapter 1 (relating to additional itemized deductions for individuals) is amended by redesignating section 222 7 as section 223 and by inserting after section 221 the following new section: 10 "SEC. 222. HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSES. 11 "(a) Allowance of Deduction.— 12 "(1) In General.—In the case of an indi-13 vidual, there shall be allowed as a deduction an 14 amount equal to the applicable dollar amount of the 15 qualified higher education expenses paid by the tax-16 payer during the taxable year. 17 "(2) APPLICABLE DOLLAR AMOUNT.—The ap-18 plicable dollar amount for any taxable year shall be determined as follows: 19 Applicable "Taxable year: dollar amount: 2002 ..... \$4.000 \$8,000 2003 ..... 2004 and thereafter ..... \$12,000. 20 "(b) Limitation Based on Modified Adjusted 21 Gross Income.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The amount which would

(but for this subsection) be taken into account under

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1	subsection (a) shall be reduced (but not below zero)
2	by the amount determined under paragraph (2).
3	"(2) Amount of Reduction.—The amount
4	determined under this paragraph equals the amount
5	which bears the same ratio to the amount which
6	would be so taken into account as—
7	"(A) the excess of—
8	"(i) the taxpayer's modified adjusted
9	gross income for such taxable year, over
10	"(ii) $$62,450$ ( $$104,050$ in the case of
11	a joint return, \$89,150 in the case of a re-
12	turn filed by a head of household, and
13	\$52,025 in the case of a return by a mar-
14	ried individual filing separately), bears to
15	"(B) \$15,000.
16	"(3) Modified adjusted gross income.—
17	For purposes of this subsection, the term 'modified
18	adjusted gross income' means the adjusted gross in-
19	come of the taxpayer for the taxable year
20	determined—
21	"(A) without regard to this section and
22	sections 911, 931, and 933, and
23	"(B) after the application of sections 86,
24	135, 219, 220, and 469.

1	For purposes of the sections referred to in subpara-
2	graph (B), adjusted gross income shall be deter-
3	mined without regard to the deduction allowed under
4	this section.
5	"(c) Qualified Higher Education Expenses.—
6	For purposes of this section—
7	"(1) Qualified higher education ex-
8	PENSES.—
9	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified
10	higher education expenses' means tuition and
11	fees charged by an educational institution and
12	required for the enrollment or attendance of—
13	"(i) the taxpayer,
14	"(ii) the taxpayer's spouse,
15	"(iii) any dependent of the taxpayer
16	with respect to whom the taxpayer is al-
17	lowed a deduction under section 151, or
18	"(iv) any grandchild of the taxpayer,
19	as an eligible student at an institution of higher
20	education.
21	"(B) Eligible courses.—Amounts paid
22	for qualified higher education expenses of any
23	individual shall be taken into account under
24	subsection (a) only to the extent such
25	expenses—

1	"(i) are attributable to courses of in-
2	struction for which credit is allowed toward
3	a baccalaureate degree by an institution of
4	higher education or toward a certificate of
5	required course work at a vocational
6	school, and
7	"(ii) are not attributable to any grad-
8	uate program of such individual.
9	"(C) EXCEPTION FOR NONACADEMIC
10	FEES.—Such term does not include any student
11	activity fees, athletic fees, insurance expenses,
12	or other expenses unrelated to a student's aca-
13	demic course of instruction.
14	"(D) ELIGIBLE STUDENT.—For purposes
15	of subparagraph (A), the term 'eligible student'
16	means a student who—
17	"(i) meets the requirements of section
18	484(a)(1) of the Higher Education Act of
19	1965 (20 U.S.C. 1091(a)(1)), as in effect
20	on the date of the enactment of this sec-
21	tion, and
22	"(ii) is carrying at least one-half the
23	normal full-time work load for the course
24	of study the student is pursuing, as deter-

1	mined by the institution of higher edu-
2	cation.
3	"(E) Identification requirement.—No
4	deduction shall be allowed under subsection (a)
5	to a taxpayer with respect to an eligible student
6	unless the taxpayer includes the name, age, and
7	taxpayer identification number of such eligible
8	student on the return of tax for the taxable
9	year.
10	"(2) Institution of higher education.—
11	The term 'institution of higher education' means an
12	institution which—
13	"(A) is described in section 481 of the
14	Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
15	1088), as in effect on the date of the enactment
16	of this section, and
17	"(B) is eligible to participate in programs
18	under title IV of such Act.
19	"(d) Special Rules.—
20	"(1) No double benefit.—
21	"(A) In general.—No deduction shall be
22	allowed under subsection (a) for any expense
23	for which a deduction is allowable to the tax-
24	payer under any other provision of this chapter
25	unless the taxpayer irrevocably waives his right

1	to the deduction of such expense under such
2	other provision.
3	"(B) DENIAL OF DEDUCTION IF CREDIT
4	ELECTED.—No deduction shall be allowed
5	under subsection (a) for a taxable year with re-
6	spect to the qualified higher education expenses
7	of an individual if the taxpayer elects to have
8	section 25A apply with respect to such indi-
9	vidual for such year.
10	"(C) Dependents.—No deduction shall
11	be allowed under subsection (a) to any indi-
12	vidual with respect to whom a deduction under
13	section 151 is allowable to another taxpayer for
14	a taxable year beginning in the calendar year in
15	which such individual's taxable year begins.
16	"(D) Coordination with exclusions.—
17	A deduction shall be allowed under subsection
18	(a) for qualified higher education expenses only
19	to the extent the amount of such expenses ex-
20	ceeds the amount excludable under section 135
21	or $530(d)(2)$ for the taxable year.
22	"(2) Limitation on taxable year of de-
23	DUCTION.—
24	"(A) IN GENERAL.—A deduction shall be
25	allowed under subsection (a) for qualified high-

1	er education expenses for any taxable year only
2	to the extent such expenses are in connection
3	with enrollment at an institution of higher edu-
4	cation during the taxable year.
5	"(B) CERTAIN PREPAYMENTS ALLOWED.—
6	Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to qualified
7	higher education expenses paid during a taxable
8	year if such expenses are in connection with an
9	academic term beginning during such taxable
10	year or during the first 3 months of the next
11	taxable year.
12	"(3) Adjustment for certain scholar-
13	SHIPS AND VETERANS BENEFITS.—The amount of
14	qualified higher education expenses otherwise taken
15	into account under subsection (a) with respect to the
16	education of an individual shall be reduced (before
17	the application of subsection (b)) by the sum of the
18	amounts received with respect to such individual for
19	the taxable year as—
20	"(A) a qualified scholarship which under
21	section 117 is not includable in gross income,
22	"(B) an educational assistance allowance
23	under chapter 30, 31, 32, 34, or 35 of title 38,

United States Code, or

- "(C) a payment (other than a gift, bequest, devise, or inheritance within the meaning of section 102(a)) for educational expenses, or attributable to enrollment at an eligible educational institution, which is exempt from income taxation by any law of the United States.
  - "(4) NO DEDUCTION FOR MARRIED INDIVID-UALS FILING SEPARATE RETURNS.—If the taxpayer is a married individual (within the meaning of section 7703), this section shall apply only if the taxpayer and the taxpayer's spouse file a joint return for the taxable year.
  - "(5) Nonresident alien individual for any portion of the taxable year, this section shall apply only if such individual is treated as a resident alien of the United States for purposes of this chapter by reason of an election under subsection (g) or (h) of section 6013.
  - "(6) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may prescribe such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out this section, including regulations requiring recordkeeping and information reporting.".

1	(b) Deduction Allowed in Computing Ad-
2	JUSTED GROSS INCOME.—Section 62(a) is amended by in-
3	serting after paragraph (17) the following new paragraph:
4	"(18) Higher education expenses.—The
5	deduction allowed by section 222.".
6	(c) Conforming Amendment.—The table of sec-
7	tions for part VII of subchapter B of chapter 1 is amended
8	by striking the item relating to section 222 and inserting
9	the following new items:
	"Sec. 222. Higher education expenses. "Sec. 223. Cross reference.".
10	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
11	this section shall apply to payments made in taxable years
12	beginning after December 31, 2001.
13	TITLE IV—TAX RELIEF FOR FAM-
14	ILY CHOICES IN CHILD CARE
15	Subtitle A—Dependent Care Tax
16	Credit
17	SEC. 401. EXPANDING THE DEPENDENT CARE TAX CREDIT.
18	(a) Percentage of Employment-Related Ex-
19	PENSES DETERMINED BY TAXPAYER STATUS.—Section
20	21(a)(2) (defining applicable percentage) is amended to
21	read as follows:
22	"(2) Applicable percentage defined.—For
23	purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'applicable per-
24	centage' means—

"(A) except as provided in subparagraph

(B), 50 percent reduced (but not below 20 percent) by 1 percentage point for each \$1,000, or

fraction thereof, by which the taxpayers's adjusted gross income for the taxable year exceeds

\$30,000, and

"(B) in the case of employment-related expenses described in subsection (e)(11), 50 percent reduced (but not below zero) by 1 percentage point for each \$800, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayers's adjusted gross income for the taxable year exceeds \$30,000.".

13 (b) Inflation Adjustment for Allowable Ex-PENSES.—Section 21(c) (relating to dollar limit on 14 15 amount creditable) is amended by striking "The amount determined" and inserting "In the case of any taxable 16 year beginning after 2002, each dollar amount referred 17 to in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be increased by an 18 19 amount equal to such dollar amount multiplied by the 20 cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3)21 for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, by substituting 'calendar year 2001' for 'calendar year 23 1992' in subparagraph (B) thereof. If any dollar amount after being increased under the preceding sentence is not

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1	a multiple of \$10, such dollar amount shall be rounded
2	to the nearest multiple of \$10. The amount determined".
3	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
4	this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
5	ber 31, 2001.
6	SEC. 402. MINIMUM CREDIT ALLOWED FOR STAY-AT-HOME
7	PARENTS.
8	(a) In General.—Section 21(e) (relating to special
9	rules) is amended by adding at the end the following new
10	paragraph:
11	"(11) Minimum credit allowed for stay-
12	AT-HOME PARENTS.—Notwithstanding subsection
13	(d), in the case of any taxpayer with one or more
14	qualifying individuals described in subsection
15	(b)(1)(A) under the age of 1 at any time during the
16	taxable year, such taxpayer shall be deemed to have
17	employment-related expenses with respect to such
18	qualifying individuals in an amount equal to the sum
19	of—
20	"(A) \$90 for each month in such taxable
21	year during which at least one of such quali-
22	fying individuals is under the age of 1, and
23	"(B) the amount of employment-related ex-
24	penses otherwise incurred for such qualifying
25	individuals for the taxable year (determined

- 1 under this section without regard to this para-
- 2 graph).".
- 3 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 4 this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
- 5 ber 31, 2001.
- 6 SEC. 403. CREDIT MADE REFUNDABLE.
- 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part IV of subchapter A of chap-
- 8 ter 1 (relating to credits against tax) is amended—
- 9 (1) by redesignating section 35 as section 36,
- 10 and
- 11 (2) by redesignating section 21 as section 35.
- 12 (b) Advance Payment of Credit.—Chapter 25
- 13 (relating to general provisions relating to employment
- 14 taxes) is amended by inserting after section 3507 the fol-
- 15 lowing new section:
- 16 "SEC. 3507A. ADVANCE PAYMENT OF DEPENDENT CARE
- 17 CREDIT.
- 18 "(a) General Rule.—Except as otherwise provided
- 19 in this section, every employer making payment of wages
- 20 with respect to whom a dependent care eligibility certifi-
- 21 cate is in effect shall, at the time of paying such wages,
- 22 make an additional payment equal to such employee's de-
- 23 pendent care advance amount.
- 24 "(b) Dependent Care Eligibility Certifi-
- 25 CATE.—For purposes of this title, a dependent care eligi-

1	bility certificate is a statement furnished by an employee
2	to the employer which—
3	"(1) certifies that the employee will be eligible
4	to receive the credit provided by section 35 for the
5	taxable year,
6	"(2) certifies that the employee reasonably ex-
7	pects to be an applicable taxpayer for the taxable
8	year,
9	"(3) certifies that the employee does not have
10	a dependent care eligibility certificate in effect for
11	the calendar year with respect to the payment of
12	wages by another employer,
13	"(4) states whether or not the employee's
14	spouse has a dependent care eligibility certificate in
15	effect,
16	"(5) states the number of qualifying individuals
17	in the household maintained by the employee, and
18	"(6) estimates the amount of employment-re-
19	lated expenses for the calendar year.
20	"(c) Dependent Care Advance Amount.—
21	"(1) In general.—For purposes of this title,
22	the term 'dependent care advance amount' means,
23	with respect to any payroll period, the amount
24	determined—

1	"(A) on the basis of the employee's wages
2	from the employer for such period,
3	"(B) on the basis of the employee's esti-
4	mated employment-related expenses included in
5	the dependent care eligibility certificate, and
6	"(C) in accordance with tables provided by
7	the Secretary.
8	"(2) ADVANCE AMOUNT TABLES.—The tables
9	referred to in paragraph (1)(C) shall be similar in
10	form to the tables prescribed under section 3402
11	and, to the maximum extent feasible, shall be coordi-
12	nated with such tables and the tables prescribed
13	under section 3507(c).
14	"(d) Other Rules.—For purposes of this section,
15	rules similar to the rules of subsections (d) and (e) of sec-
16	tion 3507 shall apply.
17	"(e) Definitions.—For purposes of this section,
18	terms used in this section which are defined in section 35
19	shall have the respective meanings given such terms by
20	section 35.".
21	(c) Conforming Amendments.—
22	(1) Section 35(a)(1), as redesignated by sub-
23	section (a)(1), is amended by striking "chapter" and
24	inserting "subtitle".

1	(2) Section 35(e), as so redesignated and
2	amended by section 402(a), is amended by adding at
3	the end the following new paragraph:
4	"(12) Coordination with advance pay-
5	MENTS AND MINIMUM TAX.—Rules similar to the
6	rules of subsections (g) and (h) of section 32 shall
7	apply for purposes of this section.".
8	(3) Sections $23(f)(1)$ and $129(a)(2)(C)$ are each
9	amended by striking "section 21(e)" and inserting
10	"section 35(e)".
11	(4) Section 129(b)(2) is amended by striking
12	"section $21(d)(2)$ " and inserting "section $35(d)(2)$ ".
13	(5) Section 129(e)(1) is amended by striking
14	"section $21(b)(2)$ " and inserting "section $35(b)(2)$ ".
15	(6) Section 213(e) is amended by striking "sec-
16	tion 21" and inserting "section 35".
17	(7) Section 995(f)(2)(C) is amended by striking
18	"and 34" and inserting "34, and 35".
19	(8) Section 6211(b)(4)(A) is amended by strik-
20	ing "and 34" and inserting ", 34, and 35".
21	(9) Section 6213(g)(2)(H) is amended by strik-
22	ing "section 21" and inserting "section 35".
23	(10) Section $6213(g)(2)(L)$ is amended by
24	striking "section 21, 24, or 32" and inserting "sec-
25	tion 24, 32, or 35".

1	(11) The table of sections for subpart C of part
2	IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by
3	striking the item relating to section 35 and inserting
4	the following new items:
	"Sec. 35. Expenses for household and dependent care services necessary for gainful employment.  "Sec. 36. Overpayments of tax.".
5	(12) The table of sections for subpart A of such
6	part IV is amended by striking the item relating to
7	section 21.
8	(13) The table of sections for chapter 25 is
9	amended by adding after the item relating to section
10	3507 the following new item:
	"Sec. 3507A. Advance payment of dependent care credit.".
11	(14) Section 1324(b)(2) of title 31, United
12	States Code, is amended by striking "or" before
13	"enacted" and by inserting before the period at the
14	end ", or from section 35 of such Code".
15	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
16	this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
17	ber 31, 2001.
18	Subtitle B—Incentives for
19	<b>Employer-Provided Child Care</b>
20	SEC. 411. ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT FOR EMPLOYER EX-
21	PENSES FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE.
22	(a) In General.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-
23	chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to business related cred-

1	its) is amended by adding at the end the following new
2	section:
3	"SEC. 45E. EMPLOYER-PROVIDED CHILD CARE CREDIT.
4	"(a) In General.—For purposes of section 38, the
5	employer-provided child care credit determined under this
6	section for the taxable year is an amount equal to the sum
7	of—
8	"(1) 25 percent of the qualified child care ex-
9	penditures, and
10	"(2) 10 percent of the qualified child care re-
11	source and referral expenditures,
12	of the taxpayer for such taxable year.
13	"(b) Dollar Limitation.—The credit allowable
14	under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed
15	\$150,000.
16	"(c) Definitions.—For purposes of this section—
17	"(1) Qualified child care expenditure.—
18	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified
19	child care expenditure' means any amount paid
20	or incurred—
21	"(i) to acquire, construct, rehabilitate,
22	or expand property—
23	"(I) which is to be used as part
24	of a qualified child care facility of the
25	taxpaver,

1	"(II) with respect to which a de-
2	duction for depreciation (or amortiza-
3	tion in lieu of depreciation) is allow-
4	able, and
5	"(III) which does not constitute
6	part of the principal residence (within
7	the meaning of section 121) of the
8	taxpayer or any employee of the tax-
9	payer,
10	"(ii) for the operating costs of a quali-
11	fied child care facility of the taxpayer, in-
12	cluding costs related to the training of em-
13	ployees, to scholarship programs, and to
14	the providing of increased compensation to
15	employees with higher levels of child care
16	training,
17	"(iii) under a contract with a qualified
18	child care facility to provide child care
19	services to employees of the taxpayer, or
20	"(iv) to reimburse an employee for ex-
21	penses for child care which enables the em-
22	ployee to be gainfully employed including
23	expenses related to—
24	"(I) day care and before and
25	after school care,

1	``(II) transportation associated
2	with such care, and
3	"(III) before and after school
4	and holiday programs including edu-
5	cational and recreational programs
6	and camp programs.
7	"(B) Fair market value.—The term
8	'qualified child care expenditures' shall not in-
9	clude expenses in excess of the fair market
10	value of such care.
11	"(2) Qualified child care facility.—
12	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified
13	child care facility' means a facility—
14	"(i) the principal use of which is to
15	provide child care assistance, and
16	"(ii) which meets the requirements of
17	all applicable laws and regulations of the
18	State or local government in which it is lo-
19	cated, including the licensing of the facility
20	as a child care facility.
21	Clause (i) shall not apply to a facility which is
22	the principal residence (within the meaning of
23	section 121) of the operator of the facility.
24	"(B) Special rules with respect to a
25	TAXPAYER.—A facility shall not be treated as a

1	qualified child care facility with respect to a
2	taxpayer unless—
3	"(i) enrollment in the facility is open
4	to employees of the taxpayer during the
5	taxable year,
6	"(ii) if the facility is the principal
7	trade or business of the taxpayer, at least
8	30 percent of the enrollees of such facility
9	are dependents of employees of the tax-
10	payer, and
11	"(iii) the use of such facility (or the
12	eligibility to use such facility) does not dis-
13	criminate in favor of employees of the tax-
14	payer who are highly compensated employ-
15	ees (within the meaning of section 414(q)).
16	"(3) Qualified child care resource and
17	REFERRAL EXPENDITURE.—The term 'qualified
18	child care resource and referral expenditure' means
19	any amount paid or incurred under a contract to
20	provide child care resource and referral services to
21	an employee of the taxpayer.
22	"(d) Recapture of Acquisition and Construc-
23	TION CREDIT.—
24	"(1) In general.—If, as of the close of any
25	taxable year, there is a recapture event with respect

1	to any qualified child care facility of the taxpayer,			
2	then the tax of the taxpayer under this chapter for			
3	such taxable year shall be increased by an amount			
4	equal to the product of—			
5	"(A) the applicable recapture percentage,			
6	and			
7	"(B) the aggregate decrease in the credits			
8	allowed under section 38 for all prior taxable			
9	years which would have resulted if the qualified			
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	child care expenditures of the taxpayer de-			
11	scribed in subsection $(c)(1)(A)$ with respect to			
12	such facility had been zero.			
13	"(2) Applicable recapture percentage.—			
14	"(A) In general.—For purposes of this			
15	subsection, the applicable recapture percentage			
16	shall be determined from the following table:			
	The applicable			
	recapture "If the recapture event occurs in: percentage is:			
	"If the recapture event occurs in: percentage is: Years 1–3			
	Year 4			
	Year 5			
	Year 6			
	Year 7			
	Year 8			
	Years 9 and 10			
	Years 11 and thereafter 0.			
17	"(B) Years.—For purposes of subpara-			
18	graph (A), year 1 shall begin on the first day			
19	of the taxable year in which the qualified child			
20	care facility is placed in service by the taxpayer.			

care facility is placed in service by the tax payer.

1	"(3) Recapture event defined.—For pur-
2	poses of this subsection, the term 'recapture event'
3	means—
4	"(A) CESSATION OF OPERATION.—The
5	cessation of the operation of the facility as a
6	qualified child care facility.
7	"(B) Change in Ownership.—
8	"(i) In general.—Except as pro-
9	vided in clause (ii), the disposition of a
10	taxpayer's interest in a qualified child care
11	facility with respect to which the credit de-
12	scribed in subsection (a) was allowable.
13	"(ii) Agreement to assume recap-
14	TURE LIABILITY.—Clause (i) shall not
15	apply if the person acquiring such interest
16	in the facility agrees in writing to assume
17	the recapture liability of the person dis-
18	posing of such interest in effect imme-
19	diately before such disposition. In the
20	event of such an assumption, the person
21	acquiring the interest in the facility shall
22	be treated as the taxpayer for purposes of
23	assessing any recapture liability (computed
24	as if there had been no change in owner-
25	ship).

"(	4) \$	SPECIAL	RULES.—
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"(A) TAX BENEFIT RULE.—The tax for the taxable year shall be increased under paragraph (1) only with respect to credits allowed by reason of this section which were used to reduce tax liability. In the case of credits not so used to reduce tax liability, the carryforwards and carrybacks under section 39 shall be appropriately adjusted.

- "(B) No credits against tax.—Any increase in tax under this subsection shall not be treated as a tax imposed by this chapter for purposes of determining the amount of any credit under subpart A, B, or D of this part.
- "(C) NO RECAPTURE BY REASON OF CAS-UALTY LOSS.—The increase in tax under this subsection shall not apply to a cessation of operation of the facility as a qualified child care facility by reason of a casualty loss to the extent such loss is restored by reconstruction or replacement within a reasonable period established by the Secretary.
- 23 "(e) Special Rules.—For purposes of this 24 section—

1	"(1) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons which
2	are treated as a single employer under subsections
3	(a) and (b) of section 52 shall be treated as a single
4	taxpayer.
5	"(2) Pass-thru in the case of estates and
6	TRUSTS.—Under regulations prescribed by the Sec-
7	retary, rules similar to the rules of subsection (d) of
8	section 52 shall apply.
9	"(3) Allocation in the case of partner-
10	SHIPS.—In the case of partnerships, the credit shall
11	be allocated among partners under regulations pre-
12	scribed by the Secretary.
13	"(f) No Double Benefit.—
14	"(1) REDUCTION IN BASIS.—For purposes of
15	this subtitle—
16	"(A) IN GENERAL.—If a credit is deter-
17	mined under this section with respect to any
18	property by reason of expenditures described in
19	subsection (c)(1)(A), the basis of such property
20	shall be reduced by the amount of the credit so
21	determined.
22	"(B) Certain dispositions.—If, during
23	any taxable year, there is a recapture amount
24	determined with respect to any property the
25	basis of which was reduced under subparagraph

- 1 (A), the basis of such property (immediately be-2 fore the event resulting in such recapture) shall 3 be increased by an amount equal to such recap-4 ture amount. For purposes of the preceding 5 sentence, the term 'recapture amount' means 6 increase in tax (or adjustment 7 carrybacks or carryovers) determined under 8 subsection (d).
  - "(2) OTHER DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS.—No deduction or credit shall be allowed under any other provision of this chapter with respect to the amount of the credit determined under this section.".

#### (b) Conforming Amendments.—

- (1) Section 38(b) is amended by striking "plus" at the end of paragraph (12), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (13) and inserting ", plus", and by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- "(14) the employer-provided child care credit determined under section 45E.".
- (2) Subsection (d) of section 39 is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- "(10) NO CARRYBACK OF EMPLOYER-PROVIDED CHILD CARE CREDIT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2002.—No portion of the unused business credit for any taxable

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- year which is attributable to the credit under section

  45E may be carried back to a taxable year ending

  before January 1, 2002.".
- 4 (3) Subsection (c) of section 196 is amended by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (8), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (9) and inserting ", and", and by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- 9 "(10) the employer-provided child care credit 10 determined under section 45E(a).".
- 11 (4) The table of sections for subpart D of part 12 IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by add-13 ing at the end the following new item:

"Sec. 45E. Employer-provided child care credit.".

- 14 (5) Section 1016(a) is amended by striking
  15 "and" at the end of paragraph (26), by striking the
  16 period at the end of paragraph (27) and inserting ",
  17 and", and by adding at the end the following new
  18 paragraph:
- "(28) in the case of a facility with respect to
  which a credit was allowed under section 45E, to the
  extent provided in section 45E(f)(1).".
- 22 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by 23 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after 24 December 31, 2001.

# 1 TITLE V—TAX RELIEF FOR 2 LONG-TERM CARE GIVERS

3	SEC. 501. LONG-TERM CARE TAX CREDIT.
4	(a) Allowance of Credit.—
5	(1) In general.—Section 24(a) (relating to al-
6	lowance of child tax credit) is amended to read as
7	follows:
8	"(a) Allowance of Credit.—There shall be al-
9	lowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter
10	for the taxable year an amount equal to the sum of—
11	"(1) \$500 multiplied by the number of quali-
12	fying children of the taxpayer, plus
13	"(2) \$3,000 multiplied by the number of appli-
14	cable individuals with respect to whom the taxpayer
15	is an eligible caregiver for the taxable year.".
16	(2) Additional credit for taxpayer with
17	3 OR MORE SEPARATE CREDIT AMOUNTS.—So much
18	of section 24(d) as precedes paragraph (1)(A) there-
19	of is amended to read as follows:
20	"(d) Additional Credit for Taxpayers With 3
21	OR MORE SEPARATE CREDIT AMOUNTS.—
22	"(1) In general.—If the sum of the number
23	of qualifying children of the taxpayer and the num-
24	ber of applicable individuals with respect to which
25	the taxpaver is an eligible caregiver is 3 or more for

1	any taxable year, the aggregate credits allowed
2	under subpart C shall be increased by the lesser
3	of—''.
4	(3) Conforming amendments.—
5	(A) The heading for section 32(n) is
6	amended by striking "CHILD" and inserting
7	"Family Care".
8	(B) The heading for section 24 is amended
9	to read as follows:
10	"SEC. 24. FAMILY CARE CREDIT.".
11	(C) The table of sections for subpart A of
12	part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amend-
13	ed by striking the item relating to section 24
14	and inserting the following new item:
	"Sec. 24. Family care credit.".
15	(b) Definitions.—Section 24(c) (defining qualifying
16	child) is amended to read as follows:
17	"(c) Definitions.—For purposes of this section—
18	"(1) Qualifying child.—
19	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualifying
20	child' means any individual if—
21	"(i) the taxpayer is allowed a deduc-
22	tion under section 151 with respect to such
23	individual for the taxable year,
24	"(ii) such individual has not attained
25	the age of 17 as of the close of the cal-

1	endar year in which the taxable year of the
2	taxpayer begins, and
3	"(iii) such individual bears a relation-
4	ship to the taxpayer described in section
5	32(e)(3)(B).
6	"(B) Exception for certain nonciti-
7	ZENS.—The term 'qualifying child' shall not in-
8	clude any individual who would not be a de-
9	pendent if the first sentence of section
10	152(b)(3) were applied without regard to all
11	that follows 'resident of the United States'.
12	"(2) Applicable individual.—
13	"(A) In general.—The term 'applicable
14	individual' means, with respect to any taxable
15	year, any individual who has been certified, be-
16	fore the due date for filing the return of tax for
17	the taxable year (without extensions), by a phy-
18	sician (as defined in section $1861(r)(1)$ of the
19	Social Security Act) as being an individual with
20	long-term care needs described in subparagraph
21	(B) for a period—
22	"(i) which is at least 180 consecutive
23	days, and
24	"(ii) a portion of which occurs within
25	the taxable year.

1	Such term shall not include any individual oth-
2	erwise meeting the requirements of the pre-
3	ceding sentence unless within the $39\frac{1}{2}$ month
4	period ending on such due date (or such other
5	period as the Secretary prescribes) a physician
6	(as so defined) has certified that such indi-
7	vidual meets such requirements.
8	"(B) Individuals with long-term care
9	NEEDS.—An individual is described in this sub-
10	paragraph if the individual meets any of the fol-
11	lowing requirements:
12	"(i) The individual is at least 6 years
13	of age and—
14	"(I) is unable to perform (with-
15	out substantial assistance from an-
16	other individual) at least 3 activities
17	of daily living (as defined in section
18	7702B(c)(2)(B)) due to a loss of
19	functional capacity, or
20	"(II) requires substantial super-
21	vision to protect such individual from
22	threats to health and safety due to se-
23	vere cognitive impairment and is un-
24	able to perform at least 1 activity of
25	daily living (as so defined) or to the

1	extent provided in regulations pre-
2	scribed by the Secretary (in consulta-
3	tion with the Secretary of Health and
4	Human Services), is unable to engage
5	in age appropriate activities.
6	"(ii) The individual is at least 2 but
7	not 6 years of age and is unable due to a
8	loss of functional capacity to perform
9	(without substantial assistance from an-
10	other individual) at least 2 of the following
11	activities: eating, transferring, or mobility.
12	"(iii) The individual is under 2 years
13	of age and requires specific durable med-
14	ical equipment by reason of a severe health
15	condition or requires a skilled practitioner
16	trained to address the individual's condi-
17	tion to be available if the individual's par-
18	ents or guardians are absent.
19	"(3) Eligible caregiver.—
20	"(A) IN GENERAL.—A taxpayer shall be
21	treated as an eligible caregiver for any taxable
22	year with respect to the following individuals:
23	"(i) The taxpayer.
24	"(ii) The taxpayer's spouse.

1	"(iii) An individual with respect to
2	whom the taxpayer is allowed a deduction
3	under section 151 for the taxable year.
4	"(iv) An individual who would be de-
5	scribed in clause (iii) for the taxable year
6	if section 151(c)(1)(A) were applied by
7	substituting for the exemption amount an
8	amount equal to the sum of the exemption
9	amount, the standard deduction under sec-
10	tion 63(c)(2)(C), and any additional stand-
11	ard deduction under section 63(c)(3) which
12	would be applicable to the individual if
13	clause (iii) applied.
14	"(v) An individual who would be de-
15	scribed in clause (iii) for the taxable year
16	if—
17	"(I) the requirements of clause
18	(iv) are met with respect to the indi-
19	vidual, and
20	$(\Pi)$ the requirements of sub-
21	paragraph (B) are met with respect to
22	the individual in lieu of the support
23	test of section 152(a).
24	"(B) Residency test.—The require-
25	ments of this subparagraph are met if an indi-

1	vidual has as his principal place of abode the
2	home of the taxpayer and—
3	"(i) in the case of an individual who
4	is an ancestor or descendant of the tax-
5	payer or the taxpayer's spouse, is a mem-
6	ber of the taxpayer's household for over
7	half the taxable year, or
8	"(ii) in the case of any other indi-
9	vidual, is a member of the taxpayer's
10	household for the entire taxable year.
11	"(C) Special rules where more than
12	1 ELIGIBLE CAREGIVER.—
13	"(i) IN GENERAL.—If more than 1 in-
14	dividual is an eligible caregiver with re-
15	spect to the same applicable individual for
16	taxable years ending with or within the
17	same calendar year, a taxpayer shall be
18	treated as the eligible caregiver if each
19	such individual (other than the taxpayer)
20	files a written declaration (in such form
21	and manner as the Secretary may pre-
22	scribe) that such individual will not claim
23	such applicable individual for the credit
24	under this section.

1 "(ii) NO AGREEMENT.—If each indi2 vidual required under clause (i) to file a
3 written declaration under clause (i) does
4 not do so, the individual with the highest
5 modified adjusted gross income (as defined
6 in section 32(c)(5)) shall be treated as the
7 eligible caregiver.

"(iii) Married individuals filing separately.—In the case of married individuals filing separately, the determination under this subparagraph as to whether the husband or wife is the eligible caregiver shall be made under the rules of clause (ii) (whether or not one of them has filed a written declaration under clause (i)).".

#### (c) Identification Requirements.—

(1) In General.—Section 24(e) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: "No credit shall be allowed under this section to a tax-payer with respect to any applicable individual unless the taxpayer includes the name and taxpayer identification number of such individual, and the identification number of the physician certifying such individual, on the return of tax for the taxable year.".

1	(2) Assessment.—Section 6213(g)(2)(I) is
2	amended—
3	(A) by inserting "or physician identifica-
4	tion" after "correct TIN", and
5	(B) by striking "child" and inserting
6	"family care".
7	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
8	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
9	December 31, 2001.
10	TITLE VI—TAX RELIEF FOR
11	WORKING FAMILIES
12	SEC. 601. INCREASED EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR 2
13	OR MORE QUALIFYING CHILDREN.
14	(a) In General.—The table in section 32(b)(1)(A)
15	(relating to percentages) is amended—
16	(1) in the second item—
17	(A) by striking "or more", and
18	(B) by striking "21.06" and inserting
19	"19.06", and
20	(2) by inserting after the second item the fol-
21	lowing new item:
	"3 or more qualifying children
22	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
23	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
24	December 31, 2001.

### SEC. 602. SIMPLIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF EARNED IN-2 COME. 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 32(c)(2)(A)(i) (defining earned income) is amended by inserting ", but only if such 4 5 amounts are includible in gross income for the taxable year" after "other employee compensation". 6 7 (b) Conforming AMENDMENT.—Section 32(c)(2)(B) is amended by striking "and" at the end of 8 9 clause (iv), by striking the period at the end of clause (v) and inserting ", and", and by adding at the end the fol-10 11 lowing new clause: 12 "(vi) the requirement under subpara-13 graph (A)(i) that an amount be includible 14 in gross income shall not apply if such 15 amount is exempt from tax under section 16 7873 or is derived directly from restricted 17 and allotted land under the Act of Feb-18 ruary 8, 1887 (commonly known as the In-19 dian General Allotment Act) (25 U.S.C. 20 331 et seq.) or from land held under Acts 21 or treaties containing an exception provi-22 sion similar to the Indian General Allot-23 ment Act.". (c) Effective Date.—The amendment made by 24

1	SEC. 603. SIMPLIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF CHILD DE
2	PENDENT.
3	(a) Removal of Support Test for Certain Indi-
4	VIDUALS.—Section 152(a) (relating to definition of de-
5	pendent) is amended to read as follows:
6	"(a) General Definition.—For purposes of this
7	subtitle—
8	"(1) DEPENDENT.—The term 'dependent'
9	means—
10	"(A) any individual described in paragraph
11	(2) over half of whose support, for the calendar
12	year in which the taxable year of the taxpayer
13	begins, was received from the taxpayer (or is
14	treated under subsection (c) as received from
15	the taxpayer), or
16	"(B) any individual described in subsection
17	(f).
18	"(2) Individual is described
19	in this paragraph if such individual is—
20	"(A) a brother, sister, stepbrother, or step-
21	sister of the taxpayer,
22	"(B) the father or mother of the taxpayer,
23	or an ancestor of either,
24	"(C) a stepfather or stepmother of the tax-
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1	"(D) a son or daughter of a brother or sis-
2	ter of the taxpayer,
3	"(E) a brother or sister of the father or
4	mother of the taxpayer,
5	"(F) a son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father-
6	in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-
7	in-law of the taxpayer, or
8	"(G) an individual (other than an indi-
9	vidual who at any time during the taxable year
10	was the spouse, determined without regard to
11	section 7703, of the taxpayer) who, for the tax-
12	able year of the taxpayer, has as their principal
13	place of abode the home of the taxpayer and is
14	a member of the taxpayer's household.".
15	(b) Other Modifications.—Section 152 is amend-
16	ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:
17	"(f) Subsection (f) Dependents.—
18	"(1) In general.—An individual is described
19	in this subsection for the taxable year if such
20	individual—
21	"(A) bears a relationship to the taxpayer
22	described in paragraph (2),
23	"(B) except in the case of an eligible foster
24	child or as provided in subsection (e), has the
25	same principal place of abode as the taxpayer

1	for more than one-half of such taxable year,
2	and
3	"(C)(i) has not attained the age of 19 at
4	the close of the calendar year in which the tax-
5	able year begins, or
6	"(ii) is a student (within the meaning of
7	section 151(c)(4)) who has not attained the age
8	of 24 at the close of such calendar year.
9	"(2) Relationship test.—An individual bears
10	a relationship to the taxpayer described in this para-
11	graph if such individual is—
12	"(A) a son or daughter of the taxpayer, or
13	a descendant of either, or
14	"(B) a stepson or stepdaughter of the tax-
15	payer.
16	"(3) Special rules.—
17	"(A) 2 OR MORE CLAIMING DEPENDENT.—
18	Except as provided in subparagraph (B), if an
19	individual may be claimed as a dependent by $2$
20	or more taxpayers (but for this subparagraph)
21	for a taxable year beginning in the same cal-
22	endar year, only the taxpayer with the highest
23	adjusted gross income for such taxable year
24	shall be allowed the deduction with respect to
25	such individual.

1	"(B) Release of claim to exemp-
2	TION.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply with
3	respect to an individual if—
4	"(i) the taxpayer with the highest ad-
5	justed gross income under subparagraph
6	(A), for any calendar year signs a written
7	declaration (in such manner and form as
8	the Secretary may by regulations pre-
9	scribe) that such taxpayer will not claim
10	such individual as a dependent for any tax-
11	able year beginning in such calendar year,
12	"(ii) the other taxpayer provides over
13	half of such individual's support for the
14	calendar year in which the taxable year of
15	such other taxpayer begins, and
16	"(iii) such other taxpayer attaches
17	such written declaration to such taxpayer's
18	return for the taxable year beginning dur-
19	ing such calendar year.".
20	(c) Rules Relating to Foster Child.—Section
21	152(b)(2) (relating to rules relating to general definition)
22	is amended by striking "a foster child" and all that follows
23	through "individual)" and inserting "an eligible foster
24	child (as defined in section $32(c)(3)(B)(iii)$ ) of an indi-
25	vidual".

1	(d) Exemption From Gross Income Test.—Sec-
2	tion 151(c)(3) (relating to definition of child) is amended
3	by striking "or stepdaughter" and inserting "step-
4	daughter, or a descendant of such individual".
5	(e) Waiver of Deduction for Divorced Par-
6	ENTS.—
7	(1) In general.—So much of section 152(e)
8	as precedes paragraph (4) (relating to support test
9	in case of child of divorced parents, etc.) is amended
10	to read as follows:
11	"(e) Special Rules for Child of Divorced Par-
12	ENTS.—
13	"(1) Release of claim to exemption.—In
14	the case of a child (as defined in section $151(c)(3)$ )
15	of parents—
16	"(A) who are divorced or legally separated
17	under a decree of divorce or separate mainte-
18	nance,
19	"(B) who are separated under a written
20	separation agreement, or
21	"(C) who live apart at all times during the
22	last 6 months of the calendar year,
23	the custodial parent who is entitled to the deduction
24	under section 151 for a taxable year with respect to

1	such child may release such deduction to the non-
2	custodial parent.
3	"(2) Procedure.—The noncustodial parent
4	may claim a child described in paragraph (1) as a
5	dependent for the taxable year if—
6	"(A) the custodial parent signs a written
7	declaration (in such manner and form as the
8	Secretary may by regulations prescribe) that
9	such custodial parent will not claim such child
10	as a dependent for any taxable year beginning
11	in such calendar year,
12	"(B) the custodial parent and the non-
13	custodial parent provide over half of such
14	child's support for the calendar year in which
15	the taxable years of such parents begin, and
16	"(C) the noncustodial parent attaches such
17	written declaration to such noncustodial par-
18	ent's return for the taxable year beginning dur-
19	ing such calendar year.
20	"(3) Definitions.—For purposes of this
21	subsection—
22	"(A) Custodial parent.—The term 'cus-
23	todial parent' means, with regard to an indi-
24	vidual, a parent who has custody of such indi-

1	vidual for a greater portion of the calendar year
2	than the noncustodial parent.
3	"(B) Noncustodial parent.—The term
4	'noncustodial parent' means the parent who is
5	not the custodial parent.".
6	(2) Pre-1985 Instruments.—Section
7	152(e)(4)(A) is amended by striking "A child" and
8	all that follows through "noncustodial parent" and
9	inserting "A noncustodial parent described in para-
10	graph (1) shall be entitled to the deduction under
11	section 151 for a taxable year with respect to a child
12	if".
13	(f) Conforming Amendments.—
14	(1) Section 1(g)(5)(A) is amended by inserting
15	"as in effect on the day before the date of the enact-
16	ment of the Working Family Tax Relief Act of
17	2001" after "152(e)".
18	(2) Section 2(b)(1)(A)(i) is amended by striking
19	"paragraph (2) or (4) of".
20	(3) Section 2(b)(3)(B)(i) is amended by striking
21	"paragraph (9)" and inserting "paragraph (2)(G)".
22	(4) Section 21(e)(5)(A) is amended by striking
23	"paragraph (2) or (4) of".
24	(5) Section 21(e)(5) is amended in the matter
25	following subclause (B) by inserting "as in effect on

- the day before the date of the enactment of the Working Family Tax Relief Act of 2001" after "152(e)(1)".
- (6) Section 32(c)(1)(G) is amended by striking

  "(3)(D)." and inserting "(1)(C). An individual

  whose qualifying child or qualifying children are not

  taken into account under subsection (b) solely by

  reason of paragraph (3)(D) shall be treated as an eligible individual if such individual otherwise meets

  the requirements of subparagraph (A)(ii).".
- 11 (7) Section 32(c)(3)(B)(ii) is amended by strik-12 ing "paragraph (2) or (4) of".
- 13 (8) Section 51(i)(1)(C) is amended by striking 14 "152(a)(9)" and inserting "152(a)(2)(G)".
  - (9) Section 152(b) is amended by striking "specified in subsection (a)" and inserting "specified in subsection (a)(2) or (f)(2)".
- 18 (10) Section 152(c) is amended by striking 19 "(a)" and inserting "(a)(1)".
- 20 (11) Section 7703(b)(1) is amended by striking 21 "paragraph (2) or (4) of".
- 22 (12) The following provisions of are each 23 amended by striking "paragraphs (1) through (8) of 24 section 152(a)" and inserting "subparagraphs (A)

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1	through $(F)$ of subsection $(a)(2)$ or subsection $(f)(2)$
2	of section 152":
3	(A) Section $170(g)(3)$ .
4	(B) Subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section
5	51(i)(1).
6	(C) The second sentence of section
7	213(d)(11).
8	(D) Section $529(e)(2)(B)$ .
9	(E) Section $7702B(f)(2)(C)(iii)$ .
10	(g) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
11	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
12	December 31, 2001.
13	SEC. 604. OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO EARNED INCOME TAX
13 14	SEC. 604. OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT.
14	CREDIT.
14 15	CREDIT.  (a) Modification of Joint Return Requirement.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read
14 15 16	CREDIT.  (a) Modification of Joint Return Requirement.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read
14 15 16 17	CREDIT.  (a) Modification of Joint Return Require- Ment.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read as follows:
14 15 16 17 18	CREDIT.  (a) Modification of Joint Return Require-Ment.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read as follows:  "(d) Married Individuals.—
14 15 16 17 18 19	CREDIT.  (a) Modification of Joint Return Requirement.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read as follows:  "(d) Married Individuals.—  "(1) In General.—If the taxpayer is married
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	CREDIT.  (a) Modification of Joint Return Require- Ment.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read as follows:  "(d) Married Individuals.—  "(1) In General.—If the taxpayer is married at the close of the taxable year, the credit shall be
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(a) Modification of Joint Return Require- Ment.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read as follows:  "(d) Married Individuals.—  "(1) In general.—If the taxpayer is married at the close of the taxable year, the credit shall be allowed under subsection (a) only if the taxpayer
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	(a) Modification of Joint Return Require- Ment.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read as follows:  "(d) Married Individuals.—  "(1) In General.—If the taxpayer is married at the close of the taxable year, the credit shall be allowed under subsection (a) only if the taxpayer and his spouse file a joint return for the taxable

1	spouse under a decree of divorce or of separate
2	maintenance shall not be considered as married.
3	"(3) CERTAIN MARRIED INDIVIDUALS LIVING
4	APART.—For purposes of paragraph (1), if—
5	"(A) an individual —
6	"(i) is married and files a separate re-
7	turn, and
8	"(ii) has a qualifying child who is a
9	son, daughter, stepson, or stepdaughter of
10	such individual, and
11	"(B) during the last 6 months of such tax-
12	able year, such individual and such individual's
13	spouse do not have the same principal place of
14	abode,
15	such individual shall not be considered as married.".
16	(b) Modification of Rule Where There Are $2$
17	OR MORE ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—Subparagraph (C) of
18	section $32(e)(1)$ is amended to read as follows:
19	"(C) 2 OR MORE ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—
20	"(i) In general.—Except as pro-
21	vided in clause (ii), if 2 or more individuals
22	would (but for this subparagraph and after
23	application of subparagraph (B)) be treat-
24	ed as eligible individuals with respect to
25	the same qualifying child for taxable years

1	beginning in the same calendar year, only
2	the individual with the highest modified
3	adjusted gross income for such taxable
4	years shall be treated as an eligible indi-
5	vidual with respect to such qualifying
6	child.
7	"(ii) Exception for certain par-
8	ENTS.—An otherwise eligible individual
9	who is not treated under clause (i) as the
10	only eligible individual with respect to any
11	qualifying child shall be treated as an eligi-
12	ble individual with respect to such child
13	if—
14	"(I) such child is the son, daugh-
15	ter, stepson, or stepdaughter of such
16	individual,
17	"(II) such child is not taken into
18	account under subsection (b) by any
19	other individual, and
20	"(III) the limitation under sub-
21	section (a)(2) for the individual who
22	would (but for this clause) be treated
23	under clause (i) as the only eligible in-
24	dividual with respect to such child
25	would be greater than zero (deter-

1	mined as if such individual had 2					
2	qualifying children).".					
3	(c) Expansion of Mathematical Error Author-					
4	ITY.—Paragraph (2) of section 6213(g) is amended by					
5	striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (K), by striking					
6	the period at the end of subparagraph (L) and inserting					
7	", and", and by inserting after subparagraph (L) the fol-					
8	lowing new subparagraph:					
9	"(M) the entry on the return claiming the					
10	credit under section 32 with respect to a child					
11	if, according to the Federal Case Registry of					
12	Child Support Orders established under section					
13	453(h) of the Social Security Act, the taxpayer					
14	is a noncustodial parent of such child.".					
15	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by					
16	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after					
17	December 31, 2001.					
18	TITLE VII—TAX RELIEF FOR					
19	SELF-EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS					
20	SEC. 701. DEDUCTION FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS OF					
21	SELF-EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS INCREASED.					
22	(a) In General.—Section 162(l)(1) (relating to spe-					
23	cial rules for health insurance costs of self-employed indi-					
24	viduals) is amended to read as follows:					

- 1 "(1) Allowance of Deduction.—In the case
- 2 of an individual who is an employee within the
- 3 meaning of section 401(c)(1), there shall be allowed
- 4 as a deduction under this section an amount equal
- 5 to the amount paid during the taxable year for in-
- 6 surance which constitutes medical care for the tax-
- payer, the taxpayer's spouse, and dependents.".
- 8 (b) Clarification of Limitations on Other Cov-
- 9 ERAGE.—The first sentence of section 162(l)(2)(B) is
- 10 amended to read as follows: "Paragraph (1) shall not
- 11 apply to any taxpayer for any calendar month for which
- 12 the taxpayer participates in any subsidized health plan
- 13 maintained by any employer (other than an employer de-
- 14 scribed in section 401(c)(4)) of the taxpayer or the spouse
- 15 of the taxpayer.".
- 16 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 17 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
- 18 December 31, 2000.

## TITLE VIII—TAX RELIEF FOR EX-

## 2 PANDING PENSION AVAIL-

## 3 **ABILITY**

- 4 SEC. 801. NONREFUNDABLE CREDIT TO CERTAIN INDIVID-
- 5 UALS FOR ELECTIVE DEFERRALS AND IRA
- 6 CONTRIBUTIONS.
- 7 (a) In General.—Subpart A of part IV of sub-
- 8 chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to nonrefundable personal
- 9 credits), as amended by section 302(a), is amended by in-
- 10 serting after section 25B the following new section:
- 11 "SEC. 25C. ELECTIVE DEFERRALS AND IRA CONTRIBU-
- 12 TIONS BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.
- "(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—In the case of an eli-
- 14 gible individual, there shall be allowed as a credit against
- 15 the tax imposed by this subtitle for the taxable year an
- 16 amount equal to the applicable percentage of so much of
- 17 the qualified retirement savings contributions of the eligi-
- 18 ble individual for the taxable year as do not exceed \$2,000.
- 19 "(b) Applicable Percentage.—For purposes of
- 20 this section, the applicable percentage is the percentage
- 21 determined in accordance with the following table:

		Adjusted 6	ross Income			A 11
Joint	return	Head of a household		All other cases		Applica- ble per-
Over	Not over	Over	Not over	Over	Not over	centage
\$0	\$35,000	\$0	\$26,250	\$0	\$17,500	50
35,000	40,000	26,250	30,000	17,500	20,000	40
40,000	45,000	30,000	33,750	20,000	$22,\!500$	30

		Adjusted G	ross Income			A 1:
Joint return		Head of a household		All other cases		Applica- ble per-
Over	Not over	Over	Not over	Over	Not over	centage
45,000	50,000	33,750	37,500	22,500	25,000	15

"(c) Eligible Individual.—For purposes of this 1 2 section— "(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'eligible indi-3 4 vidual' means any individual if such individual has 5 attained the age of 18 as of the close of the taxable 6 year. 7 "(2) Dependents and full-time students NOT ELIGIBLE.—The term 'eligible individual' shall 8 9 not include— "(A) any individual with respect to whom 10 11 a deduction under section 151 is allowed to an-12 other taxpayer for a taxable year beginning in 13 the calendar year in which such individual's 14 taxable year begins, and "(B) any individual who is a student (as 15 16 defined in section 151(c)(4)). "(d) QUALIFIED RETIREMENT SAVINGS CONTRIBU-17 TIONS.—For purposes of this section— 18 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified retire-19 20 ment savings contributions' means, with respect to 21 any taxable year, the sum of—

1	"(A) the amount of the qualified retire-
2	ment contributions (as defined in section
3	219(e)) made by the eligible individual,
4	"(B) the amount of—
5	"(i) any elective deferrals (as defined
6	in section $402(g)(3)$ ) of such individual,
7	and
8	"(ii) any elective deferral of com-
9	pensation by such individual under an eli-
10	gible deferred compensation plan (as de-
11	fined in section 457(b)) of an eligible em-
12	ployer described in section $457(e)(1)(A)$ ,
13	and
14	"(C) the amount of voluntary employee
15	contributions by such individual to any qualified
16	retirement plan (as defined in section 4974(c)).
17	"(2) Reduction for certain distribu-
18	TIONS.—
19	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The qualified retire-
20	ment savings contributions determined under
21	paragraph (1) shall be reduced (but not below
22	zero) by the sum of—
23	"(i) any distribution from a qualified
24	retirement plan (as defined in section
25	4974(c)), or from an eligible deferred com-

1	pensation plan (as defined in section
2	457(b)), received by the individual during
3	the testing period which is includible in
4	gross income, and
5	"(ii) any distribution from a Roth
6	IRA received by the individual during the
7	testing period which is not a qualified roll-
8	over contribution (as defined in section
9	408A(e)) to a Roth IRA.
10	"(B) Testing Period.—For purposes of
11	subparagraph (A), the testing period, with re-
12	spect to a taxable year, is the period which
13	includes—
14	"(i) such taxable year,
15	"(ii) the 2 preceding taxable years
16	and
17	"(iii) the period after such taxable
18	year and before the due date (including ex-
19	tensions) for filing the return of tax for
20	such taxable year.
21	"(C) Excepted distributions.—There
22	shall not be taken into account under subpara-
23	graph (A)—

1	"(i) any distribution referred to in
2	section $72(p)$ , $401(k)(8)$ , $401(m)(6)$ ,
3	402(g)(2), $404(k)$ , or $408(d)(4)$ , and
4	"(ii) any distribution to which section
5	408A(d)(3) applies.
6	"(D) Treatment of distributions re-
7	CEIVED BY SPOUSE OF INDIVIDUAL.—For pur-
8	poses of determining distributions received by
9	an individual under subparagraph (A) for any
10	taxable year, any distribution received by the
11	spouse of such individual shall be treated as re-
12	ceived by such individual if such individual and
13	spouse file a joint return for such taxable year
14	and for the taxable year during which the
15	spouse receives the distribution.
16	"(e) Adjusted Gross Income.—For purposes of
17	this section, adjusted gross income shall be determined
18	without regard to sections 911, 931, and 933.
19	"(f) Investment in the Contract.—Notwith-
20	standing any other provision of law, a qualified retirement
21	savings contribution shall not fail to be included in deter-
22	mining the investment in the contract for purposes of sec-
23	tion 72 by reason of the credit under this section.".
24	(b) Credit Allowed Against Regular Tax and
25	ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX.—

1	(1) In general.—Subsection (a) of section 26
2	is amended by inserting "(other than the credit al-
3	lowed by section 25C)" after "credits allowed by this
4	subpart".
5	(2) Conforming amendment.—Section 25C,
6	as added by subsection (a), is amended by inserting
7	after subsection (f) the following new subsection:
8	"(g) Limitation Based on Amount of Tax.—The
9	aggregate credit allowed by this section for the taxable
10	year shall not exceed the sum of—
11	"(1) the taxpayer's regular tax liability for the
12	taxable year reduced by the sum of the credits al-
13	lowed by sections 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 25A, and 25B,
14	plus
15	"(2) the tax imposed by section 55 for such
16	taxable year.".
17	(c) Annual Report.—The Comptroller General of
18	the United States shall submit a report annually to the
19	Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Rep-
20	resentatives and the Committee on Finance of the Senate
21	regarding the number of taxpayers receiving the credit al-

24 (d) Conforming Amendment.—The table of sec-

1986, as added by subsection (a).

22 lowed under section 25C of the Internal Revenue Code of

25 tions for subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter

- 1 1, as amended by section 302(b), is amended by inserting
- 2 after the item relating to section 25B the following new
- 3 item:

"Sec. 25C. Elective deferrals and IRA contributions by certain individuals.".

- 4 (e) Effective Dates.—The amendments made by
- 5 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
- 6 December 31, 2001.
- 7 SEC. 802. CREDIT FOR QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN CON-
- 8 TRIBUTIONS OF SMALL EMPLOYERS.
- 9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-
- 10 chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to business related cred-
- 11 its), as amended by section 411(a), is amended by adding
- 12 at the end the following new section:
- 13 "SEC. 45F. SMALL EMPLOYER PENSION PLAN CONTRIBU-
- 14 TIONS.
- 15 "(a) General Rule.—For purposes of section 38,
- 16 in the case of an eligible employer, the small employer pen-
- 17 sion plan contribution credit determined under this section
- 18 for any taxable year is an amount equal to 50 percent
- 19 of the amount which would (but for subsection (f)(1)) be
- 20 allowed as a deduction under section 404 for such taxable
- 21 year for qualified employer contributions made to any
- 22 qualified retirement plan on behalf of any employee who
- 23 is not a highly compensated employee.

- 1 "(b) Credit Limited to 3 Years.—The credit al-
- 2 lowable by this section shall be allowed only with respect
- 3 to the period of 3 taxable years beginning with the first
- 4 taxable year for which a credit is allowable with respect
- 5 to a plan under this section.
- 6 "(c) QUALIFIED EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION.—For
- 7 purposes of this section—
- "(1) DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLANS.—In the 8 9 case of a defined contribution plan, the term 'quali-10 fied employer contribution' means the amount of 11 nonelective and matching contributions to the plan 12 made by the employer on behalf of any employee 13 who is not a highly compensated employee to the ex-14 tent such amount does not exceed 3 percent of such 15 employee's compensation from the employer for the
  - "(2) Defined Benefit plan, the term 'qualified employer contribution' means the amount of employer contributions to the plan made on behalf of any employee who is not a highly compensated employee to the extent that the accrued benefit of such employee derived from employer contributions for the year does not exceed the equivalent (as determined under regulations prescribed by the Secretary and without

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1	regard to contributions and benefits under the Social
2	Security Act) of 3 percent of such employee's com-
3	pensation from the employer for the year.
4	"(d) Qualified Retirement Plan.—
5	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified retire-
6	ment plan' means any plan described in section
7	401(a) which includes a trust exempt from tax
8	under section 501(a) if the plan meets—
9	"(A) the contribution requirements of
10	paragraph (2),
11	"(B) the vesting requirements of para-
12	graph (3), and
13	"(C) the distributions requirements of
14	paragraph (4).
15	"(2) Contribution requirements.—
16	"(A) In general.—The requirements of
17	this paragraph are met if, under the plan—
18	"(i) the employer is required to make
19	nonelective contributions of at least 1 per-
20	cent of compensation (or the equivalent
21	thereof in the case of a defined benefit
22	plan) for each employee who is not a high-
23	ly compensated employee who is eligible to
24	participate in the plan, and

1	"(ii) allocations of nonelective em-
2	ployer contributions are either in equal dol-
3	lar amounts for all employees covered by
4	the plan or bear a uniform relationship to
5	the total compensation, or the basic or reg-
6	ular rate of compensation, of the employ-
7	ees covered by the plan.
8	"(B) Compensation Limitation.—The
9	compensation taken into account under sub-
10	paragraph (A) for any year shall not exceed the
11	limitation in effect for such year under section
12	401(a)(17).
13	"(3) Vesting requirements.—The require-
14	ments of this paragraph are met if the plan satisfies
15	the requirements of subparagraph (A) or (B).
16	"(A) 3-YEAR VESTING.—A plan satisfies
17	the requirements of this subparagraph if an em-
18	ployee who has completed at least 3 years of
19	service has a nonforfeitable right to 100 percent
20	of the employee's accrued benefit derived from
21	employer contributions.
22	"(B) 5-YEAR GRADED VESTING.—A plan
23	satisfies the requirements of this subparagraph
24	if an employee has a nonforfeitable right to a

percentage of the employee's accrued benefit de-

1	rived from employer contributions determined
2	under the following table:
	"Years of service:         The nonforfeitable percentage is:           1         20           2         40           3         60           4         80           5         100
3	"(4) Distribution requirements.—In the
4	case of a profit-sharing or stock bonus plan, the re-
5	quirements of this paragraph are met if, under the
6	plan, qualified employer contributions are distribut-
7	able only as provided in section $401(k)(2)(B)$ .
8	"(e) Other Definitions.—For purposes of this
9	section—
10	"(1) Eligible employer.—
11	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'eligible em-
12	ployer' means, with respect to any year, an em-
13	ployer which has no more than 50 employees
14	who received at least \$5,000 of compensation
15	from the employer for the preceding year.
16	"(B) REQUIREMENT FOR NEW QUALIFIED
17	EMPLOYER PLANS.—Such term shall not in-
18	clude an employer if, during the 3-taxable year
19	period immediately preceding the 1st taxable
20	year for which the credit under this section is
21	otherwise allowable for a qualified employer

plan of the employer, the employer or any mem-

ber of any controlled group including the employer (or any predecessor of either) established
or maintained a qualified employer plan with
respect to which contributions were made, or
benefits were accrued, for substantially the
same employees as are in the qualified employer
plan.

"(2) HIGHLY COMPENSATED EMPLOYEE.—The term 'highly compensated employee' has the meaning given such term by section 414(q) (determined without regard to section 414(q)(1)(B)(ii)).

## "(f) Special Rules.—

- "(1) DISALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—No deduction shall be allowed for that portion of the qualified employer contributions paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the credit determined under subsection (a).
- "(2) ELECTION NOT TO CLAIM CREDIT.—This section shall not apply to a taxpayer for any taxable year if such taxpayer elects to have this section not apply for such taxable year.
- "(3) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons treated as a single employer under subsection (a) or (b) of section 52, or subsection (n) or (o) of section 414,

- shall be treated as one person. All eligible employer
- 2 plans shall be treated as 1 eligible employer plan.
- 3 "(g) Recapture of Credit on Forfeited Con-
- 4 Tributions.—
- 5 "(1) In General.—Except as provided in para-6 graph (2), if any accrued benefit which is forfeitable 7 by reason of subsection (d)(3) is forfeited, the em-8 ployer's tax imposed by this chapter for the taxable 9 year in which the forfeiture occurs shall be increased 10 by 35 percent of the employer contributions from 11 which such benefit is derived to the extent such con-12 tributions were taken into account in determining 13 the credit under this section.
- "(2) REALLOCATED CONTRIBUTIONS.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any contribution which is reallocated by the employer under the plan to employees who are not highly compensated employees.".
- 18 (b) CREDIT ALLOWED AS PART OF GENERAL BUSI19 NESS CREDIT.—Section 38(b) (defining current year busi20 ness credit), as amended by section 411(b)(1), is amended
  21 by striking "plus" at the end of paragraph (13), by strik22 ing the period at the end of paragraph (14) and inserting
  23 ", plus", and by adding at the end the following new para-
- 24 graph:

"(15) in the case of an eligible employer (as defined in section 45F(e)), the small employer pension plan contribution credit determined under section 45F(a).".

## (c) Conforming Amendments.—

- (1) Section 39(d), as amended by section 411(b)(2), is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- "(11) NO CARRYBACK OF SMALL EMPLOYER PENSION PLAN CONTRIBUTION CREDIT BEFORE JAN-UARY 1, 2002.—No portion of the unused business credit for any taxable year which is attributable to the small employer pension plan contribution credit determined under section 45F may be carried back to a taxable year beginning before January 1, 2002.".
- (2) Subsection (c) of section 196, as amended by section 411(b)(3), is amended by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (9), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (10) and inserting ", and", and by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- 23 "(11) the small employer pension plan contribu-24 tion credit determined under section 45F(a).".

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1	(3) The table of sections for subpart D of part
2	IV of subchapter A of chapter 1, as amended by sec-
3	tion 411(b)(4), is amended by adding at the end the
4	following new item:
	"Sec. 45F. Small employer pension plan contributions.".
5	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
6	this section shall apply to contributions paid or incurred
7	in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2001.
8	SEC. 803. CREDIT FOR PENSION PLAN STARTUP COSTS OF
9	SMALL EMPLOYERS.
10	(a) In General.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-
11	chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to business related cred-
12	its), as amended by section 802(a), is amended by adding
13	at the end the following new section:
14	"SEC. 45G. SMALL EMPLOYER PENSION PLAN STARTUF
15	COSTS.
16	"(a) General Rule.—For purposes of section 38
17	in the case of an eligible employer, the small employer pen-
18	sion plan startup cost credit determined under this section
19	for any taxable year is an amount equal to 50 percent
20	of the qualified startup costs paid or incurred by the tax-
21	payer during the taxable year.

- 22 "(b) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The amount of the cred-23 it determined under this section for any taxable year shall
- 24 not exceed—

1	"(1) \$500 for the first credit year and each of
2	the 2 taxable years immediately following the first
3	credit year, and
4	"(2) zero for any other taxable year.
5	"(c) Eligible Employer.—For purposes of this
6	section—
7	"(1) In General.—The term 'eligible em-
8	ployer' has the meaning given such term by section
9	408(p)(2)(C)(i).
10	"(2) Requirement for New Qualified em-
11	PLOYER PLANS.—Such term shall not include an
12	employer if, during the 3-taxable year period imme-
13	diately preceding the 1st taxable year for which the
14	credit under this section is otherwise allowable for a
15	qualified employer plan of the employer, the em-
16	ployer or any member of any controlled group in-
17	cluding the employer (or any predecessor of either)
18	established or maintained a qualified employer plan
19	with respect to which contributions were made, or
20	benefits were accrued, for substantially the same em-
21	ployees as are in the qualified employer plan.
22	"(d) Other Definitions.—For purposes of this
23	section—

"(1) QUALIFIED STARTUP COSTS.—

1	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified
2	startup costs' means any ordinary and nec-
3	essary expenses of an eligible employer which
4	are paid or incurred in connection with—
5	"(i) the establishment or administra-
6	tion of an eligible employer plan, or
7	"(ii) the retirement-related education
8	of employees with respect to such plan.
9	"(B) Plan must have at least 1 par-
10	TICIPANT.—Such term shall not include any ex-
11	pense in connection with a plan that does not
12	have at least 1 employee eligible to participate
13	who is not a highly compensated employee.
14	"(2) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER PLAN.—The term
15	'eligible employer plan' means a qualified employer
16	plan within the meaning of section 4972(d).
17	"(3) First credit year.—The term 'first
18	credit year' means—
19	"(A) the taxable year which includes the
20	date that the eligible employer plan to which
21	such costs relate becomes effective, or
22	"(B) at the election of the eligible em-
23	ployer, the taxable year preceding the taxable
24	vear referred to in subparagraph (A).

- 1 "(e) Special Rules.—For purposes of this 2 section—
- "(1) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons treated as a single employer under subsection (a) or (b) of section 52, or subsection (n) or (o) of section 414, shall be treated as one person. All eligible employer

plans shall be treated as 1 eligible employer plan.

- 8 "(2) DISALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—No de-9 duction shall be allowed for that portion of the quali-10 fied startup costs paid or incurred for the taxable 11 year which is equal to the credit determined under 12 subsection (a).
- "(3) ELECTION NOT TO CLAIM CREDIT.—This section shall not apply to a taxpayer for any taxable year if such taxpayer elects to have this section not apply for such taxable year.".
- 17 (b) CREDIT ALLOWED AS PART OF GENERAL BUSI-18 NESS CREDIT.—Section 38(b) (defining current year busi-19 ness credit), as amended by section 802(b), is amended
- 20 by striking "plus" at the end of paragraph (14), by strik-
- 21 ing the period at the end of paragraph (15) and inserting
- 22 ", plus", and by adding at the end the following new para-
- 23 graph:

- "(16) in the case of an eligible employer (as de-
- 25 fined in section 45G(c)), the small employer pension

1	plan startup cost credit determined under section
2	45G(a).".
3	(c) Conforming Amendments.—
4	(1) Section 39(d), as amended by section
5	802(c)(1), is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6	lowing new paragraph:
7	"(12) No carryback of small employer
8	PENSION PLAN STARTUP COST CREDIT BEFORE JAN-
9	UARY 1, 2002.—No portion of the unused business
10	credit for any taxable year which is attributable to
11	the small employer pension plan startup cost credit
12	determined under section 45G may be carried back
13	to a taxable year beginning before January 1,
14	2002.".
15	(2) Subsection (c) of section 196, as amended
16	by section 802(c)(2), is amended by striking "and"
17	at the end of paragraph (10), by striking the period
18	at the end of paragraph (11) and inserting ", and",
19	and by adding at the end the following new para-
20	graph:
21	"(12) the small employer pension plan startup
22	cost credit determined under section 45G(a).".
23	(3) The table of sections for subpart D of part

IV of subchapter A of chapter 1, as amended by sec-

1	tion 802(c)(3), is amended by adding at the end the
2	following new item:
	"Sec. 45G. Small employer pension plan startup costs.".
3	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
4	this section shall apply to costs paid or incurred in taxable
5	years beginning after December 31, 2001, with respect to
6	qualified employer plans established after such date.
7	TITLE IX—TAX RELIEF FOR
8	ADOPTIVE PARENTS
9	SEC. 901. EXPANSION OF ADOPTION CREDIT.
10	(a) In General.—
11	(1) Adoption credit.—Section 23(a)(1) (re-
12	lating to allowance of credit) is amended to read as
13	follows:
14	"(1) In general.—In the case of an indi-
15	vidual, there shall be allowed as a credit against the
16	tax imposed by this chapter—
17	"(A) in the case of an adoption of a child
18	other than a child with special needs, the
19	amount of the qualified adoption expenses paid
20	or incurred by the taxpayer, and
21	"(B) in the case of an adoption of a child
22	with special needs, \$10,000.".
23	(2) Adoption assistance programs.—Sec-
24	tion 137(a) (relating to adoption assistance pro-
25	grams) is amended to read as follows:

1	"(a) In General.—Gross income of an employee
2	does not include amounts paid or expenses incurred by the
3	employer for adoption expenses in connection with the
4	adoption of a child by an employee if such amounts are
5	furnished pursuant to an adoption assistance program.
6	The amount of the exclusion shall be—
7	"(1) in the case of an adoption of a child other
8	than a child with special needs, the amount of the
9	qualified adoption expenses paid or incurred by the
10	taxpayer, and
11	"(2) in the case of an adoption of a child with
12	special needs, \$10,000.".
13	(b) Dollar Limitations.—
14	(1) Dollar amount of allowed ex-
15	PENSES.—
16	(A) Adoption expenses.—Section
17	23(b)(1) (relating to allowance of credit) is
18	amended—
19	(i) by striking "\$5,000" and inserting
20	"\$10,000",
21	(ii) by striking "(\$6,000, in the case
22	of a child with special needs)", and
23	(iii) by striking "subsection (a)" and
24	inserting "subsection (a)(1)(A)".

1	(B) Adoption assistance programs.—
2	Section 137(b)(1) (relating to dollar limitations
3	for adoption assistance programs) is amended—
4	(i) by striking "\$5,000" and inserting
5	"\$10,000", and
6	(ii) by striking "(\$6,000, in the case
7	of a child with special needs)", and
8	(iii) by striking "subsection (a)" and
9	inserting "subsection (a)(1)".
10	(2) Phase-out limitation.—
11	(A) Adoption expenses.—Clause (i) of
12	section 23(b)(2)(A) (relating to income limita-
13	tion) is amended by striking "\$75,000" and in-
14	serting "\$150,000".
15	(B) Adoption assistance programs.—
16	Section 137(b)(2)(A) (relating to income limita-
17	tion) is amended by striking "\$75,000" and in-
18	serting "\$150,000".
19	(c) Year Credit Allowed.—Section 23(a)(2) is
20	amended by adding at the end the following new flush sen-
21	tence:
22	"In the case of the adoption of a child with special
23	needs, the credit allowed under paragraph (1) shall
24	be allowed for the taxable year in which the adoption
25	becomes final.".

1	(d) Repeal of Sunset Provisions.—
2	(1) CHILDREN WITHOUT SPECIAL NEEDS.—
3	Paragraph (2) of section 23(d) (relating to definition
4	of eligible child) is amended to read as follows:
5	"(2) ELIGIBLE CHILD.—The term 'eligible
6	child' means any individual who—
7	"(A) has not attained age 18, or
8	"(B) is physically or mentally incapable of
9	caring for himself.".
10	(2) Adoption assistance programs.—Sec-
11	tion 137 (relating to adoption assistance programs)
12	is amended by striking subsection (f).
13	(e) Adjustment of Dollar and Income Limita-
14	TIONS FOR INFLATION.—
15	(1) Adoption credit.—Section 23 is amended
16	by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i) and
17	by inserting after subsection (g) the following new
18	subsection:
19	"(h) Adjustments for Inflation.—In the case of
20	a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2002, each
21	of the dollar amounts in subsection (a)(1)(B) and para-
22	graphs (1) and (2)(A)(i) of subsection (b) shall be in-
23	creased by an amount equal to—
24	"(1) such dollar amount, multiplied by

1	"(2) the cost-of-living adjustment determined
2	under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which
3	the taxable year begins, determined by substituting
4	'calendar year 2001' for 'calendar year 1992' in sub-
5	paragraph (B) thereof.".
6	(2) Adoption assistance programs.—Sec-
7	tion 137, as amended by subsection (d), is amended
8	by adding at the end the following new subsection:
9	"(f) Adjustments for Inflation.—In the case of
10	a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2002, each
11	of the dollar amounts in subsection (a)(2) and paragraphs
12	(1) and (2)(A) of subsection (b) shall be increased by an
13	amount equal to—
14	"(1) such dollar amount, multiplied by
15	"(2) the cost-of-living adjustment determined
16	under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which
17	the taxable year begins, determined by substituting
18	'calendar year 2001' for 'calendar year 1992' in sub-
19	paragraph (B) thereof.".
20	(f) Limitation Based on Amount of Tax.—
21	(1) In general.—Subsection (c) of section 23
22	is amended by striking "the limitation imposed" and
23	all that follows through "1400C)" and inserting

"the applicable tax limitation".

1	(2) Applicable tax limitation.—Subsection
2	(d) of section 23 is amended by adding at the end
3	the following new paragraph:
4	"(4) APPLICABLE TAX LIMITATION.—The term
5	'applicable tax limitation' means the sum of—
6	"(A) the taxpayer's regular tax liability for
7	the taxable year, reduced (but not below zero)
8	by the sum of the credits allowed by sections
9	21, 22, 24 (other than the amount of the in-
10	crease under subsection (d) thereof), 25, and
11	25A, and
12	"(B) the tax imposed by section 55 for
13	such taxable year.".
14	(3) Conforming amendments.—
15	(A) Subsection (a) of section 26 (relating
16	to limitation based on amount of tax) is amend-
17	ed by inserting "(other than section 23)" after
18	"allowed by this subpart".
19	(B) Paragraph (1) of section 53(b) (relat-
20	ing to minimum tax credit) is amended by in-
21	serting "reduced by the aggregate amount
22	taken into account under section 23(d)(3)(B)
23	for all such prior taxable years," after "1986,".

- 1 (g) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after

3 December 31, 2001.

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